OPINION 1120

NOCTUA ARMIGERA HUBNER, [1808] (LEPIDOPTERA) CONSERVED

RULING.- (1) Under the plenary powers, the specific name *barbara* J.C. Fabricius, 1794, as published in the binomen *Noctua barbara*, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The specific name *armigera* Hübner, [1808], as published in the binomen *Noctua armigera*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2654.

(3) The specific name *barbara* J.C. Fabricius, 1794, as published in the binomen *Noctua barbara*, and as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1045.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.) 1670

An application for the suppression of *Noctua barbara* J.C. Fabricius, 1794, was first received from Dr D.F. Hardwick *(Entomology Research Institute, Ottawa, Canada)* on 10 November 1964. It was sent to the printer on 4 December 1964 and was published on 18 May 1965 in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 22: 101. Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* and was sent to the statutory serials as well as to nine entomological serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 19 April 1967 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (1967)26 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 22: 101. At the close of the voting period on 19 July 1967 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes – twenty-one (21), received in the following order: China, Vokes, Mayr, Sabrosky, Alvarado, Boschma, Obruchev, Binder, Holthuis, Uchida, Munroe, Lemche, do Amaral, Tortonese, Forest, Stoll, Mertens, Kraus, Bonnet, Ride, Evans

Negative Votes – none (0).

Late affirmative votes were received from Brinck and Jaczewski. No voting papers were returned by Hubbs and Simpson.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

armigera, Noctua, Hübner, [1808], *Samml. europ. Schmett.*, vol. 4: fig. 370

barbara, Noctua, J.C. Fabricius, 1794, *Ent. Syst.*, vol. 3 (2): 111

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (67)26 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that voting paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1120.

R.V. MELVILLE
Secretary
International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
London
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